

The Honorable Columbus County Board of Commissioners met in their said office at 9:00 A.M., March 13, 1989, it being the second Monday as approved by adoption of Resolution on February 6, 1989.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Samuel G. Koonce, Chairman  
 Giles E. (Buddy) Byrd, Vice Chairman  
 Junior Dew  
 Lynwood Norris  
 Ed Worley

James E. Hill, Jr.  
 County Attorney

Roy L. Lowe  
 County Administrator

Ida L. Smith  
 Clerk to Board

The Chairman called the meeting to order and the invocation was given by the Reverend Wade Fowler, Senior Center Director.

**GOVERNING BODY - MEETING CANCELLATION**

The Chairman stated that the meeting scheduled for the third Monday in March has been cancelled by Resolution as follows:

**NOTICE AND RESOLUTION TO CANCEL MEETING OF  
 THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBUS  
 COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**

WHEREAS, the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of Columbus County, North Carolina, have presently regularly scheduled meetings at 7:30 P.M. on the third Monday of each calendar month; and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of Columbus County, North Carolina, is desirous of cancelling the meeting for the third Monday in March, 1989, only.

BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners pursuant to N.C.G.S. 153-40 that the Chairman will cancel the 7:30 o'clock P.M. Board meeting scheduled for March 20, 1989.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners that a copy of this Resolution and Notice shall be placed on the Courthouse Bulletin Board, as well as to all the news media who has requested notice.

**ATTEST:**

/s/ Roy L. Lowe  
 County Administrator

/s/ Samuel G. Koonce, Chairman  
 Columbus County Board of  
 Commissioners

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Worley and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the February 20, 1989 meeting, as recorded.

**RESOLUTIONS ACCEPTED FROM EDUCATORS ENDORSING A BOND REFERENDUM**

The Chairman stated that resolutions from Columbus County Schools, Whiteville City Schools and Southeastern Community College has been received in support of a bond referendum for educational facilities improvement.

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to accept the resolutions from the educational institutions as follows:

COLUMBUS COUNTY SCHOOLS

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the County Board of Education has in place a Long Range Plan for School Facility Improvement which was approved by the Columbus County Board of Commissioners and the North Carolina State Board of Education in March, 1988; and

WHEREAS, such Long Range Plan establishes a systematic approach in meeting the more urgent facility needs of the school system; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners, subsequent to the development of the Long Range Plan, in July, 1988, designated a Blue Ribbon Committee to study and assess, summarily, the total facility needs of the county (both educational and noneducational); and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Education recognizes with appreciation the work of the Blue Ribbon Committee in identifying certain basic facility needs of the Columbus County Schools, Southeastern Community College, and the Whiteville City Schools: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Columbus County Board of Education, in session on Monday, March 6, 1989, voted unanimously to support a bond referendum as the most appropriate approach in providing the financial support of the facility needs as identified by the Blue Ribbon Committee for the Columbus County Schools, Southeastern Community College, and Whiteville City Schools; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Columbus County Board of Education requests the Board of County Commissioners to move expeditiously in taking the appropriate action to ensure that a bond referendum for educational facilities improvement be scheduled as soon as feasible.

This resolution duly adopted by the Columbus County Board of Education in session on Monday, March 6, 1989.

/s/ Jo Ann Barnes, Chairman  
/s/ Richard Dameron, Member  
/s/ William E. Johnson, Member

/s/ Raymond Shaw, Vice Chairman  
/s/ Beasley, Strickland, Member  
/s/ R. Mitchel Tyler, Secretary

WHITEVILLE CITY SCHOOLS

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Whiteville Board of Education supports the Blue Ribbon Committee's Report and identification of the additional educational needs of the Whiteville City Schools (\$5,279,216.00); the Columbus County Schools (\$12,500,000.00); and Southeastern Community College (\$1,435,888.00); and

WHEREAS, the Whiteville City Board of Education supports the improvement of the educational system which will result in economic, social, and cultural improvement for all citizens of Columbus County.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Whiteville City Board of Education strongly urges the Columbus County Commissioners to proceed with a Bond Referendum to provide the financial support needed by the Whiteville City Schools, the Columbus County Schools, and Southeastern Community College, as identified by the Blue Ribbon Committee.

This, the 28th day of February, 1989.

/s/ Mack Thompson, Chairman	/s/ Jerry D. Paschal, Secretary
/s/ Robert Leder, Vice Chairman	/s/ John G. Barkley
/s/ Dick Crutchfield	/s/ Calvin Duncan
/s/ David Flowers	/s/ Tim Owens
/s/ LaDeen Powell	/s/ Lana White

SOUTHEASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Southeastern Community College supports the Blue Ribbon Committee's Report and identification of the additional educational needs of Southeastern Community College, Columbus County Schools, and Whiteville City Schools; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Southeastern Community College supports the improvement of the educational system which will result in economic, social, and cultural improvement for all citizens of Columbus County. Therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Southeastern Community College strongly urges the County Commissioners to proceed with a Bond Referendum to provide the financial support needed by Southeastern Community College, Columbus County Schools, and Whiteville City Schools as identified by the Blue Ribbon Committee.

/s/ Billy A. Hooks, Chairman  
Board of Trustees  
Southeastern Community  
College

February, 1989

SHERIFF - VEHICLES PURCHASE APPROVED

Sheriff Henry Rowan addressed the Board in reference to the purchase of four (4) additional patrol cars on state contract before the deadline date of March 15, 1989, in order to receive the automobiles in four months and approve the purchase from the new 1989-90 Sheriff's Department budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew and seconded by Commissioner Norris to advertise for bids for four (4) new police package cars and compare prices with state contract.

Commissioner Dew withdrew his motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew to table the request until the next fiscal year's (1989-90) budget is adopted.

Commissioner Dew's motion died in lack of a second.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dew, seconded by Commissioner Byrd and passed unanimously to purchase four (4) police cars under state contract appropriating funds from the County's fund balance with the proceeds from the sale of surplus cars reverting back into the fund balance. Also, approve a budget amendment to allocate funds from the County Fund Balance (10-399-0000) in the amount of \$49,229.00 to be expended in Sheriff Department Capital Outlay - Four (4) new police cars (10-510-74).

#### BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Governing Body - A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Byrd and passed unanimously to approve appropriating funds in the amount of \$2,000.00 from Non-Departmental - Contingencies (10-660-9999) to be expended in Governing Body - Miscellaneous (N.C. General Assembly Dinner). (10-410-57).

Airport - A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Worley and passed unanimously to approve the following budget amendment:

Appropriate 10-399-00	Fund Balance	\$18,750.00
Accept 10-335-00	DOT Grant	6,250.00

To be expended:

10-650-73	Airport Improvements	\$25,000.00
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Health Dept. & Social Services - A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Byrd and passed unanimously to approve the following budget amendments:

Accept 10-348-08	- Maternal Health State Funds	\$30,000.00
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To be expended:

10-592-02	Salaries	5,000.00
10-592-05	FICA	500.00
10-592-06	Insurance	200.00
10-592-07	Retirement	(970.00)
10-592-11	Telephone	3,000.00
10-592-32	Office Supplies	1,000.00
10-592-33	Departmental Supplies	3,000.00
10-592-46	Drugs and Supplies	10,600.00
10-592-57	Miscellaneous Expense	7,670.00

Accept 10-336-0000	Social Services CP&L Project Share	4,456.00
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Expend (40-616-0100)	Crisis Intervention - CP&L	4,456.00
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Governing Body - A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Dew and passed unanimously to approve appropriating funds in the amount of \$8,000.00 from Non-Departmental Contingencies (10-660-9999) to be expended in Governing Body - Contracted Services - Countywide water engineering report (10-410-45).

#### BOARD OF ELECTIONS - APPROVAL FOR COMPUTER PURCHASE

The County Administrator addressed the Board concerning the purchase of an independent 512 MB Desktop Model Computer with all hardware and software for the Board of Elections for the sum of \$14,013.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Byrd, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to approve the purchase of the above mentioned computer for the Board of Elections, with all costs to be absorbed by the Board of Elections 1988-89 Budget.

HEALTH DEPT. - AIDS POLICY IN THE WORKPLACE

The Administrator presented the Board with a copy of an AIDS policy as adopted by the Columbus County Board of Health requesting adoption by the Board of County Commissioners.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Worley and passed unanimously to take the request into consideration for adoption at a later date.

TAX RELEASES & REFUNDS

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to approve the tax releases and refunds as recommended by the Tax Administrator.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Lovin and Bobby Bailey, Whiteville Township, be released on the valuation of \$18,800; mobile home was listed through error for year 1988.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Armond G. Carter, Whiteville Township, be released on the valuation of \$1,680.00; double-listed.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of United Carolina Bank, Whiteville Township, be released on the valuation of \$559,268; through error, UCB listed all equipment in Columbus County. Value of equipment located in Columbus County is \$104,258.

Ordered: that the 1984 & 85 tax listings of Bonnie Williams Faulk, Williams Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$2,250; leasehold sold to J.W. Hardwick prior to 1-1-84.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Nancy Hamilton, Whiteville Township, be released on the valuation of \$4,010; billed with 1984 mobile home instead of 1974 model.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Wayne & Day Hewett, Bug Hill Township, be released on the valuation of \$1,500; motor vehicle priced incorrectly.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Lake Waccamaw Realty Company, Inc., Waccamaw Township, be released on the valuation of \$1,500; double-listed to Williams Edwin Hobbs, Jr.

Ordered: that the 1987 & 1988 tax listings of Alice Lee McAllister, Chadbourn Township, be released on the valuation of \$9,380; double-listed to Arthur McAllister.

Ordered: that the 1987 & 1988 tax listing of D.L. Peterson Trust, Ransom Township, be cancelled on the valuation of \$7,610; motor vehicle was not in Columbus County on 1-1-87.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Ed McLelland & Pearley Mae Bradley, Bolton Township, be released on the valuation of \$8,750; failed to receive the senior-citizen's exemption.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listing of Ida Mae Walters, Lees Township, be released on the valuation of \$4,330; mobile home & motor vehicle double-listed.

Ordered: that the 1987 & 1988 tax listings of Mitchell Pittman, Tatum Township, be released on the valuation of \$1,820; acres per deed reduced from 2.2 acres to 0.5.

Ordered: that the 1980 through 1988 tax listings of James E. Smith, Whiteville Township, be released; lot does not exist.

Ordered: that the 1988 tax listings, Township #99, Discovered properties, be released as follows:

Julian Carlyle Anderson; did not own motor vehicle on 1-1-88.

Elsie mae Berry; did not own vehicle 1-1-88.

James Earl Adams; did not own vehicle, 1-1-88.

James A. Blackwell; double-listed.

Madaline Reynolds Blanton; vehicle sold prior to 1-1-88.

Hubert Bridgman; vehicle sold prior to 1-1-88.

Pamela Faye Bryan; vehicle double-listed to David W. & Berry Bryan.

Betty Buffkin; vehicle double-listed to James Henry.

Carlee Carter; vehicle listed in Bladen County.

Gregory Chestnut; did not own vehicle on 1-1-88.

Janice Powers Chestnutt; vehicle double-listed to Janice Chestnut.

Connie Sue Davis; vehicle double-listed to Clarence T. Buffkin.

Shelia Catherine Ellis; vehicle listed in New Hanover County.

Angela Lembacke Ferreira; resides in Ft. Stewart, Georgia.

Joseph Morris Floyd; car burned October, 1987.

Gaye Sanders Fisher; vehicle listed in South Carolina.

Ben David Fowler; listed Ben D. Fowler.

Edna G. Fowler; double-listed Roger and Susie Fowler.

Kent Neal Fowler; resides in Tennessee.

Robert Allen Frommelt; resides in New Jersey.

Caner Lewis Gardner; vehicle junked prior to January 1, 1988.

Elaine Stephens George; double-listed to Alice Stephens George.

Cheryl Hall Godwin; car sold November, 1987.

Benny Walter Godwin; seven vehicles discovered, three (3) sold prior to 1-1-88.

Junior Godwin; vehicle junked prior to January 1, 1988.

Shirley Jean Godwin; double-listed to Benny and Shirley Godwin.

Elaine Gore; vehicle sold December, 1987.

Priscilla Gore; vehicle acquired after January 1, 1988.

Wynema Patrick Graham; double-listed to Willie L. & Anita Patrick Graham.

*Jennifer Green; double-listed to David & Jennifer Greene.*  
*Phoebe Green; vehicle sold prior to January 1, 1988.*  
*David George Gurley; double-listed to David Gurley.*  
*H & H Distributors; double-listed to Larry & Jenette Harrelson.*  
*Rickie Lionel Hamilton; vehicle sold prior to January 1, 1988.*  
*Eddie Graham Hammonds; vehicle in Florida prior to January 1, 1989.*  
*Mary Vereen Hardee; double-listed to Mary A. Thompkins.*  
*Alice T. Harrelson; double-listed to John R. & Louise Harrelson.*  
*Brenda Gail Harrelson; moved out of state in 1987.*  
*William Devon Harrelson; double-listed to Lou Floy Harrelson.*  
*Maggie Marie Hayes; double-listed to Larry & Marie Hayes.*  
*Virgil Keith Hedrick; no longer a resident of Columbus County.*  
*Carol Burroughs Herring; double-listed to Carol Burroughs.*  
*Brenda Horne Hilbourn; double-listed to Samuel K. Hilburn.*  
*Tammie June Hilburn; listed in Bladen County.*  
*Sylvia H. Hines; listed in Bladen County.*  
*Stephen Howard Hopkins III; resides in Bladen County.*  
*James Wations Huffman; double-listed to James (J.R.) Huffman.*  
*Heustess Inman; vehicle not in use as of January 1, 1988.*  
*Donald Ray Jackson; does not reside in Columbus County.*  
*Angela Michelle Floyd; vehicle double-listed to Ray Priest.*  
*Ella Adeline Graham; vehicle double-listed to Ella A. Graham.*  
*Janet McNair Graham; vehicle listed in Robeson County.*  
*Timothy Ronna Graham; vehicle double-listed Walter M. Smith*  
*Vanita Graham; vehicle double-listed to Vanita Spaulding.*  
*Marcella Green Jacobs; double-listed on Gary and Marcella Jacobs.*  
*Watius Carlyle Jacobs; listed in Bladen County.*  
*Daniel Ray Jeffers; sold prior to January 1, 1988.*  
*Mary Helen Johnson; double-listed to Cornelius & Helen Johnson.*  
*Annie Wrenn Jones; double-listed to Millard S. Jones, Jr.*  
*Thomasina Barr Jordan; vehicle sold for junk prior to January 1, 1988.*  
*Roger Dale Justice; resides in Columbia, S.C.*  
*Susan R. King; double-listed to Gay R. King.*  
*Isnimon Kinlaw; vehicle junked prior to January 1, 1988.*  
*Linda Jarrett Lennon; vehicle junked prior to January 1, 1988.*  
*Wade Kelly Long, vehicle listed in New Hanover County.*  
*Robert S. McClenely; vehicle double-listed to Donald McClenely.*  
*Norris Gore McDonald; vehicle listed to Dr. Gilbert H. Hunt and Norris  
 Gore.*  
*Jean McDonald; does not own 1976 Buick.*  
*Eric McPherson; vehicle double-listed to James Eric McPherson.*  
*Rebecca Inman Malpass; resides in New Hanover County.*  
*Anton Christopher Martin; car listed in Guilford County.*

*Tonda Lou Mason; vehicle junked prior to January 1, 1988.*

*Eula Williams Miller; vehicle burned in 1987.*

*Robert Labarron Moore; 1983 Buick wrecked 10-29-87.*

*Sandra Cox Morgan; double-listed to Sandra C. Lembecke.*

*Morris Cartrette Construction; double-listed to Morris Cartrette & Kathy P. Cartrette.*

*Ella Enzor Nance; sold and traded for Dodge listed to James Hoyt Nance.*

*Maggie Galloway Munn; does not reside in Columbus County.*

*Bobby Wayne Nealey; purchased property in August, 1987, residing in New York effective 1-1-88.*

*Stephanie Diane Nobles; vehicle was traded for 1987 Chevrolet.*

*Rex Allen Norton; 1979 Chevrolet burned in 1987.*

*James Parks Patrick; 1981 Olds and Jeep double-listed to James P. Patrick.*

*J.L. Powell; resides in Davidson County.*

*Ira Leon McKeithan; double-listed to Leon & Esther McKeithan.*

*James David Keith, Sr.; Dodge truck wrecked and totalled, September, 1987.*

*Jean Caffee Powers; double-listed to Tony and Jean Powers.*

*Timothy Dale Pridgen; tags returned prior to January 1, 1988.*

*Larry Richard Priest; listed in Bladen County.*

*Julia Rankin; resides in Brunswick County.*

*Grace Bracey Read; deceased December 14, 1987; car repossessed.*

*Ester Ward Reeves; double-listed to Mary Esther Reeves.*

*Dallas Richardson; double-listed to Patricia P. Richardson.*

*Vonnie Mitchell Roberts; vehicle was not in Columbus County on January 1, 1988.*

*Clarence Henry Settlemyer; listed in Bladen County.*

*Edith Dennice Shipman; resides in Washington, D.C.*

*Shirley Shirden; double-listed to Shirley McKenzie.*

*James Grady Sibbett; vehicle repossessed in 1987.*

*John Lee Sibbett; double-listed to Mamie Lou Sibbett.*

*Alan Greer Sikes; resides in Germany.*

*Gary Jerome Smith; did not own vehicle January 1, 1988.*

*James Albert Small; motor vehicle repossessed September, 1987.*

*Linda Smith; vehicle junked prior to January 1, 1988.*

*Gennie Meeks Spaulding; double-listed to Eddie Arnold Spaulding.*

*Henry Neil Stephens; double-listed to Henry Stephens.*

*Theresa W. Stephens; double-listed to Ricky Ray Stephens.*

*Herman William Stevens; double-listed to Herman W. & Linda Stevens.*

*Paula Stewart; does not reside in Columbus County.*

*Angela Demetrice Strickland; double-listed to Joyce T. Buffkin.*



*Nelli Strickland; double-listed to Nellie Mae Richardson.*

*Gregg Thomas Tarquinio; resides in Indiana.*

*Patricia Ann Tomlin; vehicle junked prior to January 1, 1988.*

*Alvin Lee Tyson; listed in Brunswick County.*

*Sarah Brigman Vereen; double-listed to Sarah Brigman.*

*Ronald Wayne Ward; double-listed to Joyce S. Ward.*

*Sadie Spivey Ward; vehicle junked in 1987.*

*Albert R. Watts; resides in North Dakota.*

*Martha Smith Wayne; double-listed to John W. Wayne.*

*Harry S. & Linda A. Woods; listed in Bladen County.*

*Joseph Yarborough; listed in Bladen County.*

*Elizabeth Lou Yates; motor vehicle destroyed in 1987.*

*James Anthony Windham; vehicle listed in Bladen County.*

*James and Sharon White; vehicle junked prior to January 1, 1988.*

*Janie Annette White; listed in Pitt County.*

*Hoyt Williams, Jr.; vehicle not operating January 1, 1988.*

*Thadas Edward Williams; double-listed to Thadus E. Williams.*

*Wade Linwood Williams; double-listed to Lenwood and Minerva Williams.*

*Essie Melinda Williamson; vehicle burned prior to January 1, 1988.*

*Lori Ann Williamson; double-listed to E.W. Martin, Jr. and Lori W. Williamson.*

*Elizabeth Cherry Wells; double-listed to Mary E. Wells.*

*William David Williams; 1977 and 1980 Ford junked prior to 1-1-88.*

*Joseph Earl Wilson; vehicle double-listed on business and regular listing accounts.*

*Ordered: that the following be released, for year 1988, due to extenuating circumstances:*

*Raymond Lloyd Gore, \$100.00 fine, account #17-14847.*

*Crystal R. Strickland; \$100.00 fine, account #17-36243.*

*Gregory Vernon Thurman; \$100.00 fine, account #17-37630.*

*Andy Joe Hammond; \$100.00 fine, account #17-16653.*

*Gary Gayle Hammonds; \$100.00 fine; account #17-16737.*

*Herbert Thomas Reeves; \$100.00 fine, account #17-30943.*

*Maria Bland Lacewell; \$90.29, account #17-21985.*

*Wendy Leigh Tison; \$78.24 fine, account #17-37733*

*Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Hills Food Stores, Inc., P.O. Box 1408, Whiteville, NC 28472, in the amount of \$2,667.76, for year 1987, billed in 1988. Overpaid on Merchants inventory, business listings, in a valuation of \$258,504.*

*Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Juanita Hill Burns, Route 6, Box P15, Whiteville, NC 28472, Township #99, in the amount of \$30.00 for year 1988. Mobile home double-listed to Willie Elbert Burns and taxes were paid.*

Ordered: that a refund check be issued to Margaret Graham Britt, Route 3, Box 332, Chadbourn, NC, 28431, Township #99, in the amount of \$100.00 for year 1988. Extenuating circumstances.

**APPOINTMENT - SENIOR CENTER ADVISORY COUNCIL**

A motion was made by Commissioner Byrd, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to appoint R.J. Pate, P.O. Box 1, Lake Waccamaw, NC 28450, to serve on the Senior Center Advisory Council for Zone 1.

**FINANCE - BANKING PROPOSALS**

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley to begin the rotation of the counties general fund banking services with United Carolina Bank, effective July 1, 1989.

A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Dew and seconded by Commissioner Byrd to negotiate county banking services with the county institutions to compare what they can offer over and above the services now being received.

The Finance Officer, Emogene Suggs, was called into the meeting and questioned as to what agreements the county had with Southern National Bank. Mrs. Suggs stated that all funds are in interest bearing accounts, and that the bank chooses how the money will be invested, except for amounts that are invested in Certificates of Deposit with a state pool in Charlotte.

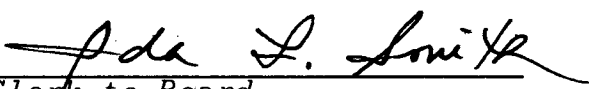
Commissioner Dew withdrew his motion.

Commissioner Worley withdrew his motion.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 A.M.

APPROVED:

  
Clerk to Board

  
Chairman